

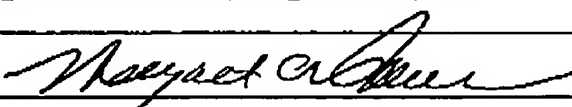
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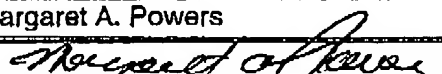
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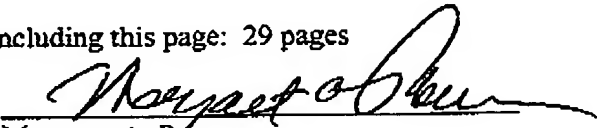
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 19, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

- Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper;
- Amendments to the Claims begin on page 18; and
- Remarks begin on page 21 of this paper.